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In re application of: )  
Applicants: Antonio Fontana )  
Ser. No.: 10/612,902 )Group Art Unit: 3728  
Filed: July 7, 2003 )Examiner: Unknown  
For: Containers for packaging fluids or pasty... )

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington D.C. 20231 USA

Sir,

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Applicant herewith encloses copies of the prior art references which have been cited in the European Search Report issued for the counterpart European Patent Application which contains subject matter equivalent to that of the present application. The references submitted herewith for consideration are listed on the attached form PTO-1449.

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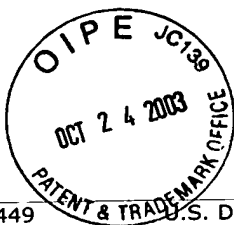
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